

# AN ARMADO,

O R,

A NAVY OF A HUND-  
red and three *Ships*, and other Vef-  
sels; who have the Art to Sayle  
by Land, as well as by Sea.

*Morally Rig'd, Man'd, Muni-*  
tion'd, Appointed, Set forth, and Vi-  
ctualled, with two and thirty  
sorts of *Ling*: with other Provisi-  
ons of *Fish and Flesh*.

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By JOHN TAYLOR.

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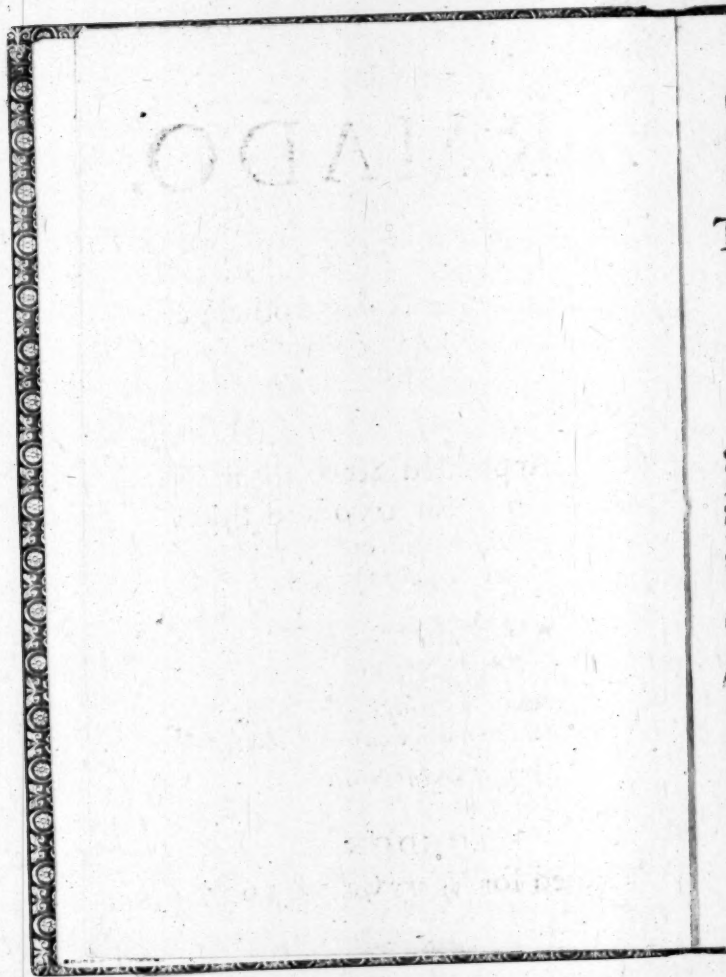
The names of the *Ships*, are in the Page  
before the Description of the Navie.

Anno *Millmo, quillmo, trilliono*.

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TO THE RIGHT  
WORSHIPFULL, AND

truly Generous, Sir I O H N

F E A R N E, Knight.

NOBLE SIR,

**T**He world sufficiently knowes  
that you know what Ships  
and shipping are; that you  
have ploughed the dangerous  
Ocean, and furrowed over the rugged bo-  
some of Neptune: yet neverthelesse, I  
know that you never tooke notice of my old  
and weather-beaten Land-Navie, being  
built without either Tymber or Iron, Rig'd  
without Ropes or Cordage, whose Ord-

## The Epistle

nance are discharged without match or powder, whose victuals are neither bread, drink, fish, flesh, or good red-herring, whose voyages are not performed with wind and water, yet ever in action like a perpetuall motion; But when you shall please to favour mee so much, as to peruse and survey my strange Fleet or Armado, you will then perceive that your selfe hath sayled in (or at the least) boarded most of my Ships of note: for you are well acquainted with the LORDSHIP, you are a friend to the SCHOLLERSHIP, you have layd the LADYSHIP aboard, you have entred the APPRENTISHIP, you are well knowne in the COVRTSHIP, you have sayld in the GOOD-FELLOWSHIP, you love the FRIENDSHIP, you affect the FELLOWSHIP, you know the FOOTMANSHIP, you are skild in the HORS-

MAN-



## Dedicatorie.

MANSHIP you have had a principall Cabin  
in the SVRETYSHIP, you have surpris'd &  
taken the WORSHIP, and you know what  
belongs to the WOOD-MANSHIP; the  
WARDSHIP, and STEWARDSHIP, I do  
for some reasons not meddle withall, and I  
thinke you have seldome or never had any  
dealings with them: the some of all is, I  
most humbly desire your Worships pardon,  
for my abrupt Dedication, assuring you  
that it was onely my love and duty that put  
me on, without any expectance of patronage,  
protection, or reward: and so with my best  
wishes for the perpetuity of your present  
and ever future felicity, I rest,

Your Worships to com.

mand whilst I have being,

JOHN TAYLOR.

## The names of the Ships : with the *number of their Squadrons.*

- 1 The Lord-SHIP, whose Squadron were of Ships and other Vessels, 12 in all.
- 2 The Scholler-SHIP, with 10 others in all.
- 3 The Lady-SHIP, with 12 others.
- 4 The Goodfellow-SHIP, with 12 others.
- 5 The Apprentice-SHIP, with 4 others.
- 6 The Court-SHIP, with 11 others.
- 7 The Friend-SHIP, with 4 others.
- 8 The Fellow-SHIP, with 5 others.
- 9 The Footman-SHIP, with 5 others.
- 10 The Horseman-SHIP, with 4 others.
- 11 The Surety-SHIP, with 7 others.
- 12 The Wor-SHIP, with 3 others.
- 13 The Woodman-SHIP, with 7 others.

Besides, there were 7 other needlesse Ships which were in the nature of voluntaries, or hangers on upon the Navie, as namely, the *Mary Carry-Kave*, the *Knaves-increase*, the *Superfluous*, the *Carelesse*, the *Idle*, the *Coxcombe*, the *Braggard*. And what man soever he be, that hath, or doth not Sayle in some one Ship of this my *Fleet*, let him come to me and I will Ship him, and allow him double wages.

The

# THE DESCRIPTION

how the whole Nauy is vi-

*Etualled with thirty two sorts of*

*Ling, besides other necessaries.*



**F**irst, thirty thousand couple of Change-LING, appointed onely for the dyet of such fellowes who had honest parents, and are themselves changed into very Rascals. Secondly, Dar-LING; this fish was dearer than Salmon (for it was consecrated to the Goddesse *Venus*) it was of that high price that some men have consumed their whole Lordships, Manners and credit, in two or three yeares, onely in this kind of Dyet, therefore it is not a

dish for every mans tooth, for none  
but brave Sparkes, rich heires, *Clarif-  
simas*, and *Magnificoes*, would goe to  
the cost of it. Thirdly, Shave-LING,  
whch was only for the diet of Priests,  
Monk, and Fryers. Fourthly, Fond-  
LING, this fish was for Cockneyes, and  
other pretty youths, over whom their  
parents were so tender, that a man  
might perceive by their manners, they  
had been better fed than taught. Fifthly,  
Tip-LING, a dish for all men. Sixthly,  
Vnder-LING, this fish was ship'd for  
witty younger brothers, poore Schol-  
lers that hath neither friends nor mo-  
ney. Seaventhly, Starve-LING, this  
Ling was only for the Bark-beggerly,  
which was man'd with old discarded  
Serving-men, and maymed cashiered  
Soul-

one Soldiers and Mariners. Eightly, Strip-  
LING, provided for Pages, Lackeyes,  
and Foot-boyes. Ninthly, Foo-LING,  
a dish for every mans dyet. Tenthly,  
Swad-LING, against stomacke, but  
yet a dish of good use. Eleventh,  
Grumb-LING, a discontented kind of  
fish for the poorer sort of people to  
chaw upon, for when they do thinke  
themselves wrong'd by their Superi-  
ours and dare not utter their minds  
openly, then they feed upon Grumb-  
LING. Twelfth, Wrang-LING, this  
Ling was salted by sixteene Pettifog-  
gers, in a long troublesome Tearme:  
it is held to be a lasting dish, and will  
serve the whole Fleet with their  
posterities, to the second and third ge-  
neration. Thirteenth, Troub-LING,  
was

was provided by certaine double-diligent Constables, to the molestation of their sleepe watch, and the charge of many a man that would quietly have gone to their lodging. Fourteenth, Prow-LING, is a plentiful fish, upon which many thousands doe live, but by using it too much, it choaks a great number: and as fisher-men doe bait their hookes with one fish to catch others, so is this Ling (for the most part) taken with three other sorts of Ling, as with lug-LING, Brab-LING, Braw-LING, untill by hooke or by crooke it is taken with Ang-LING. I have seen many of these Prow-LING Fishermen end their lives like Swans (in a manner singing) and sometimes making their wils at *Wapping*, or looking

dili- king through a hempen window at  
n of S. Thomas Waterings, or the three legg'd  
e of instrument neere *Paddington*. There  
ave were many other sorts of Ling sent  
nth, to the *Navie*, which (to avoid proli-  
pon xitie) I will but name, as Quarrell-  
but LING, was for the dyet of some of the  
reat Noble science, some for roaring boyes,  
bait and Rough-hewd Tittery tues. The  
atch nineteenth sort of Ling was Fumb-  
most LING, which is for their dyets who  
s of have beene long married and can get  
NG, no children. The twentieth was  
by Ming-LING, which was for Wine-  
G. I marchants, Vintners, Brewers, and  
NG Apothecaries. Iumb-LING & Tumb-  
ans LING, for the keepers and *Cupidian*  
mes hunters of Vaulting houses. Fid-  
oo-LING, Fud-LING, and Stumb-LING,  
ing from

from the Schooles of Dancing, and  
Drinking. The twenty sixe sort of  
Ling was Bung-LING, which was the  
fare of Quackfalvers, Mountebanks,  
Ratcatching Watercasters, and also for  
all botching Artificers and cobling  
Tradesmen. Mumb-LING was for  
those that had no need of the Tooth-  
drawer. Ster-LING mony was at such  
a Scant-LING, that scarcely it was for  
any honest mans Hand-LING. The  
thirty one sort of Ling was Pole-  
LING, (I do not mean a Pole of Ling)  
nor Barbers Pole-LING which is an  
universall dish, it needs no mustard,  
for many a Common-wealth finds it  
tart enough without sawce, yet many  
men have ran in and out of great E-  
states by this only fish, it serves for the  
dyet



dyet of Projectmongers, Monopolli-  
tanians and diligent Sute-ioggers.  
The last Ling was Pill-LING, which  
is much of the nature of Pole-LING  
and so with Pole-LING and Pill-LING  
I conclude my thirty two sorts of  
Ling.

For other sorts of fish they had  
*Carpe* enough for a word speaking,  
great store of *Codf-heads*, *Sharks* more  
than a good many; plenty of *Dog-fish*,  
and *Poore-Iohns* in great abundance.

For flesh it was so plentiful, that  
he that lov'd *Beefe*, might have every  
day a *stone* (if he had a stomacke to eat  
it:) their *Mutton* was neither *Ewe* or  
*lamb*, but to my knowledge they wā-  
ted now *weather*, they had also good store  
of *venison*, but it was *Rascal-deere*, or  
Deare-Rascals,

cals with some *Fawnes* ; they had likewise store of Fowle , as Gull, Goose, Widgeon , Woodcocke, Buzzard, Owles, Cormorants, Quails, Railes, Cuckoos, Wag-tailes, Ring-tailes, and Bittoures. Their fruit was Medlers, and Wildings, and in steed of a Flawne or a Custard , they were glad sometimes to dine and sup with a Foole.

For Preservation of their healthes, they had neither *Mithridate* , or any other Drug : for one Doctor *Spilman* was the Phisician to the whole Nauy, who did compound a preservative of powdered Coxcombes with Asses milk, which did very well agree with their natures.

Their Bread and Drinke I had almost

most forgotten; indeed it was not  
Ruske as the Spaniards use, or Oaten  
Cakes, or Bannackes, as in North  
*Britaine*, nor Bisket as Englishmen  
eate, but it was a Bread which they  
called *Cheat-bread*, and a mad fellow  
told me, it was so called, because the  
Baker was never like to be payd for it.  
Their Drinke was brewed with a  
malt, made onely with *Wild-oates*, but  
in steed of Hops there was store of  
*Rue*, with a little *Hearts-ease*. And thus  
were they victualled? now I proceed  
to the Description of the Navie.

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*Why these Ships are called*  
SHIPS.

**H**ave little to say to the Reader, because I neither know him or his conditions, therefore to avoyd lying and flattery in putting the stiles of Christian, Gentle, courteous, friendly, learned or honest, upon the Atheist, barbarous, hatefull, ignorant, or dishonest, the Reader gets no Epistle at all of me: If he be good and well inclin'd, it is the better for himselfe, and if otherwise, it shall not be much the worse for me, ther's the poynt: now the reasons why all these words or names of my Morall Navie are called *Ships*, or doe all end with the word or syllable *Ship*, as Lord *Ship*, Lady-*Ship*, Friend-*Ship*, and the like, &c. The reasons I take to be these which followeth, & as I imagine most signifycate, first, the whole life of man is as a *Ship* under sayle; for be it either day or night, storme, or calme light or dark, hot or cold, winter or Summer, yet the *Ship* is in her course, ever going on her voyage;  
so

So likewise *Man*, let him goe, sit, stand, ride,  
run, worke, play, sleepe or wake, yet hee is  
still going onward in his mortall passage. A  
*Ship* is ever in need of repaying, so is a man  
either in body, mind or goods. A *Ship* is e-  
ver unsteddy; a *Man* is alwayes mutable.  
Some *Ships* are hard to be steered; some men  
are harder to be guided. Some *Ships* beare  
so great a sayle, that they beare their Masts  
by the Board and make all split againe; some  
*Men* doe spread such a Clue in a calme, that  
a sudden storme halfe sinkes them and teares  
all. Some *Ships* are so favoured by the wind  
that they make rich voyages, and quicke re-  
turnes; some *Men* are so fortunate, that wealth  
and promotions doe fall in their mounthes.  
Some *Ships* run through many a storme, with  
much danger, and yet are so unlucky that  
they doe never make good voyage; some  
*Men* (being borne under a three penny pla-  
net) can neither by paines, watching, labour  
or any industry bee worth a groat. Some  
*Ships* by being over-laden have beene cast a-  
way; some *Men* by taking in too much have

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beene

beene forc'd to cast all away. *Ships* doe wal-  
low and heave and set upon the Sea; *Men* do  
stumble, reale and stagger on the land. Some  
*Ships* have their crackes and imperfections  
gaily hid with painting; some *Men* have their  
bad intents coloured over with hypocrisie,  
and their diseased carkases covered with  
good clothes. Some *Ships* doe bring profi-  
table commodities, and some bring bables,  
toyes and trifles; some *Men* do enrich a king-  
dome with their wisdome, authority, and  
practice in vertue: and some *Men* do disgrace  
and impoverish a Monarchy by folly, ill im-  
ployed power, and sottishnesse in vanity.  
Some *Ships* will run to leeward extreamly if  
the wind bee scant, and some againe will  
bravely beat it out to windward and wea-  
ther it; so some *Men* will shrinke from their  
friends or from themselves, in a storme of  
trouble or poverty, and some few againe will  
beare up stiffe, constantly contemning and  
opposing the brunts of fortune. Some *Ships*  
are taken by others and made prizes; some  
*Men* are captiv'd by others and made slaves.  
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Some *Ships* are commended more for their Bulke and beauty, than for any good service; and some *Men* are more applauded for their fortunes, than for any good conditions. If I would insist longer on these comparisons, I could enlarge my Induction to the bounds of a Pamphlet: therefore I will conclude it with King *Solomons* similitude, *Wisd. 5. C. 10.* That mans life passeth as a Ship that passeth over the waves of water: therefore I wish all *Men* to be provided, as good *Ships* should be: let *Hope* be their Anker, let *Faith* be their Cable, let *Charity* and *Love* bee their Card and Compasse, till they come happily to the Haven of *Graves-end*, and from thence to that blessed harbour which hath no *End*.



John Smith of his friend *Mr.*  
JOHN TAYLOR and his  
Armado.

*A* Rme, arme, arme, arme, great Neptune rowze, a-  
And muster up thy monsters speedily: (wake,  
Boreas unto thy blustering blasts betake,  
Guard, guard your selves from Taylors policie.  
Rokes, shoales, Lee-shores, oh helpe them Goodwin  
For this new Fleet runs over Seas and Lands. (sands,  
And's now so victual'd, rig'd, and rarely plyes,  
It threatens all the waters, ayre and skies,  
Truth in his Navie such a power doth lead,  
The Devill, Hell, vice and all, the Fleet may dread.  
And well it may, if well you understand,  
So rare a Fleet was never made nor man'd.

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My love to *John Taylor* and his Nauy.

**I**F Art and Nature both in one combine  
Vpon some serious wits to draw a line,  
If Vertue, trusty Faith, with all their might,  
Give Nature, Vertue, Art a nimble sight.

Art, Nature, Vertue, Faith, doe well agree,  
To raise this worke of thine eternity.

No sooner did thy pen but drop a teare  
Vpon this milky path, the Gods were there  
Willing assistants, and did hoist up sayle,  
To make thee swifter in thy Navall tale:

*Eole* a gentle gale, *Neptune* calme weather,

Till all our Ships in harbour moorde together.

If Lord-Ship, Lady-Ship, or Court-Ship fight,  
Friend-Ship and Fellow-Ship will doe thee right:  
And Wor-Ship will assist, to make a peace, (cease,  
Whilst Surety-Ship stands bound the wars should

Thus was that battell ended, but thy prayse

Hath rais'd anew, which will outlast thy dayes.

Steere on thy course then, let thy fertile braine  
Plough up the deep, which will run o're the maine  
In such a Fleet of sweet conceited matter,

Which sayles by Land more swifter than by water:

That whilst the Ocean doth containe a Bellow,  
Thou and thy Booke shalt never have a fellow.



*The Lord-SHIP, with her  
Regiment.*

**T**HE Lord-SHIP, a very ancient and Honourable Vessell of mighty Bulke and Burthen, being sufficiently furnished with victuall, munition, tackling and men, was vnder the Commaunde of the Noble *Don Diego de fisty Cankoe muskcod*, who was Admirall or high *Adellantado* of the whole Fleete. The Captaine of her was *Signior Caco Fogo*, (a Neapolitan of *Civita Vecchia*) a sweete affable Gentleman, yet of so dainty a disposition, and so experienc'd in Navigation, that hee could not endure the scent of the Pumpe, and for the more sweete keeping of the Ship, he protested that hee would have no more of those stinking pumphes to Sea with him, hee  
came

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came very honestly by his place, for he bought it with his mony, besides the helpe of a Ladyes letter : and to give him his due, he was well skil'd in the *Aff-trolabe*, and could take the Elevation of the Pole as well with a *Battone*, or a Broomestaffe, as with any *Iacobs staffe* in *Affrica*. In foule weather he most constantly kept his Cabbin, giving himselfe wholly to fasting and meditation, often *Cast-ing* up his accounts, as neere as he could, bearing himselfe so equally betwixt well doing and ill taking, that in all the whole voyage no man could taxe him for taking any harme, or doing any good.

The Masters name was *Petrus Vainglorious*, his Mate *Hugo Hypocrisy*, men that have steered the course in the *Lord-SHIP* many hundred yeares : The Boatswaine and his Mate were *Scofe* and *Derision*, with *Gripe* the Steward, *Avarise* the Purser, and *Lawrence Delay* the Paymaster; kinsman to *Tom Long* the Carier : which three last are thought to be very arrant Knaves, who have spoyled the Government of the whole Shio. In Briefe. the Gunner,

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Cockswaine, Swabber, and Ship-boyes were plentifully stored with pride, flattery and other the like Gentlemen like vertues.

The Ships that went in the same Regiment or Squadron with the Lord-SHIP, were these that follow. Namely.

1 The *Ambition*. 2 The *Presumption*, two stout ships of very lofty saile & great burthen.

3 The *Oppression*, a Ship of Account and Estimation.

4 The *Costly*, a Ship of great Charge.

5 The *Mutable*, a brave Ship, but in no course steddý.

6 The *Selfe love*, a great Ship, but of small service.

7 The *Delight*, a faire Ship to the eye.

8 The *Hope-well*, a Ship of great expectation.

9 The *Debt*, a Ship of great Burthen and much Receipt.

10 The *Satisfaction*, a large long Ship, a very cart, a slug, and slow of sayle.

11 The *Promise*, a Ship very unsteddy, yet her sayles ever full.

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*The Scholler-Ship with her  
Regiment.*

**T**HIS Ship is a very ancient Ship, and was built at the first, and hath been ever since repaired with infinite cost, paines and study. She hath beene of that worthy Estimation, that the greatest Monarches, Kings, Princes, and Estates of the world, have made it their chiefeft felicity to sayle in her: all famous Divines and Philosophers have steered her, and have beene steered by her. Some of her greatest Mariners have beene much troubled with plurifies, pluralities I would say, and some have beene great Marchants a Steeple faire, but it was in the old time when *Si-Mony* was as good as ready *Mony*. The Arts Mathematicall and Metaphysicall, have been the rich prizes and purchases of her painful voyages: and now at this present (though the world be much altered with her) she tryes her fortunes in this adventrous Navie. The Captaines name was *Sapience*, the Master *Experience*, his Mate *Knowledge*, and every other officer

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cer correspondent, being munition'd and vi-  
ctualled for the enterprize she set sayle, with  
her Squadron or Regiment of Ships hereun-  
der named.

1 The *Serious*, a Ship laden with Gravity

2 The *Fore-sight*, a Ship worthy of much  
regard.

3 The *Desert* a Ship of great service and  
small payment.

4 The *Industrious*, a good profitable Ship.

Then there attended her five small Pinna-  
ces and Frigots, namely, the *Dogmatist*, the  
*Captious*, the *Prejudicate*, the *Carper*, and the  
*Critick*. These five were man'd with young  
Batchelors of Art, puny Innes of Courtmen,  
and humorous *Poets*, who with their conti-  
nuall cudgelling one another with broken  
verses, had almost beaten *Priscians* brains out.

### *The Lady Ship, with her Regiment.*

**T**HIS Lady SHIP was a very comely Ship  
to the eye, set out with most excessive  
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and superfluous cost, She was most richly adorned and beautified with Flags, Streamers, Pennons, and Wastcloaths: there was more time spent in rigging of her than in all the rest of the Fleet one after another: her cor-  
lage and tackling was of fine silver twist, on-  
ly her *Enting rope* was pure gold: her sayles were silke, of all the colours in the Rainbow: her Masts and yards were strong and service-  
able: her *Guyse, Bolins, Sheats, tacks, Braces, eyes and lifts* were all very costly: her *Gas-  
kets, Martlins, Cables, Hawfers, Fish and Cattrope, Boyghrope, and Boaterope, Boltrope, and Toprope, the Guestrope, Bucketrope, and Porterope, Shrowds, Lanyards, Ratlings, Halliers, Ropeyarnes, soun-  
ding lines*, were all of rare stufles, of great price and small profit; and contrary to any o-  
ther Ship, she had neither *Forestay* or *Backstay*, for the wind lay in her will, and if she pleas'd to sayle any whether, there was no command had power to stop her, or Cable and Anker strength to hold her. In a word shee was a fine timbred veilell, and had the vertue to sayle without any Compasse, and indeed she

was

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was altogether for faire weather for if it storm'd, rain'd, or blew, or Sun shin'd too hot, she would lye at Anchor and keepe her harbour a moneth together, so that neither force or faire meanes could ever unmove her.

Her Ordnance, or Artillery were in her chafe or head, and her powder and munition were in her *sterne* or poope, she is somewhat tickle in steerage, but in fight she is sufficient to sinke or blow up, as many as dares board or grapple with her. She was laden out with poore beggerly Commodities, as Lead, Tin, Leather, Tallow, Corne, and Broad-cloath: but shee came richly fraughted home with Apes, Monkeyes, Mirkins, Marmosets, Spanish Potatoes, Estridges feathers, Islands dogs, *St. Martins* Beads and Bracelets, Cobweb lawne, Tiffanies, dainry dun, Poppingay greene Parrots and Parakitoees. The Masters name was *Vanity*, who had the chiefe command and guide of the whole Ship and Regiment, who in steering of his course was neither miserable or liberall, but altogether a most worthy, worthlesse, carefull, negligent prodigall.

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The other Ships and vessels that were in her Regiment under her command, were named as followeth.

1 The *Dainty*, a Ship purposely built for the carriage of such things as were far fetch'd and deare bought, and by consequence proverbially good for Ladies.

2 The *Pride*, an intollerable brave gaudy vessell of an exceeding lofty sayle, with top and top gallant.

3 The *Coy*, a little Fregate of small service.

4 The *Disdaine*, a great Ship of much use, but of very strange course or steerage.

5 The *Nice*, a Fregate, that carryed the sweet meats or confectionary.

6 The *Fashion*, a Gallifist, only for the service of the wardrope.

7 The *Bable*, a small Fregate, onely for pleasure.

8 The *Toy*, a Pinpace that was appointed to attend and follow the *Fashion*.

9 The *Wanton*, a Katch.

10 The *Geewaw*, a Hoygh.

11 The *Whimwham*, a Drumler.

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All these three were of most especial use and service, for the *Lady-Ship*, whose chiefe charge and imployment was to weare, eate, and drinke the best; and withall not to pester, wrong, or oppresse the Fleet, with good examples or directions.

### *The Goodfellow-Ship, with her Regiment.*

**T**His Ship is <sup>p</sup>very old, and much out of reparations: She hath been of such use and imployment, that shee hath sayled into all Countries of the inhabitable world; she only is the greatest traveller, for there is not a Haven or Harbour under the Sun, but shee hath cast Anker in it. Wine Marchants, Vintners, Brewers, and Victuallers, have thrust themselves into whole Lordships, by the often returns, lading and unlading of this Ship; yet now shee is so weather-beaten with the stormes of Time, and so wind-shaken with too much use, that through want she is not able to beare halfe the sayle which she formerly hath done.

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In the golden age, when *Saturne* raigned,  
(long before the two wrangling words, *Thine*  
and *Mine*, had set the world together by the  
eares) then was the Godfellow-*Ship* in such  
request, that all estates and conditions sayled  
in her, then her voyages and quicke returns  
(her lading being for the most part hearty  
love and true affection) did maintaine and  
keepe such unity, that whosoever was not a  
Mariner or sayler in her, was esteemed as a  
Branded stigmatiz'd infamous person.

But at last her Navigators began to steere  
another course: for some of the had learnd the  
Art of covetousnes, and with a divellish kind  
of Bawdry, call'd usury and extortion, made  
gold and silver engender and beget yearly  
so much and so much in the hundred, when  
Taylors, like so many wicked Spirits, flew  
from one Countrey to another, bringing  
home more fashions than would kill a hun-  
dred thousand horses; when for the mainte-  
nance of those fashions, the Earth was equal-  
ly shared and divided amongst the people,  
(some all, and some not a foot) with Hedges,  
Ditches,

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Ditches, Bownds, Mownds, Walles, and Markes; when my Lady *Rustie* began to take such a thrifty order, that all the meat in the Kitchen should be cheaper than the washing and painting of her Visage, (if you allow the powdring of her bought or borrowed Perewig into the bargain) when the world came to this passe, then this Good ship, this *Good-fellow-Skip* being forsaken of her best Pilots, Masters, and Mariners, all her Saylor in little time declined to be no better than Swabbers, so that through want of skilfull managing and reparation, and with extreame age, she is nothing so serviceable as she hath been; yet as she is, she sets forward with her best ability in this voyage. The Captaines name was *Hercules Dumplin*, a Norfolk Gentleman, the Master *Giles Gammon*, was borne at *Rumford*, the rest of the Mariners it were needlesse to name them.

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*The other Ships and vessels that  
were in the same Regiment with the  
Goodfellow-Ship, were these.*

**T**HE *Drunken Sisse*, a great Ship it is,  
though shee was built at *Midaleborough*;  
but howsoever, she hath made many voyages  
into *England*: shee is so beloved, that shee  
needs not presse any man to serve in her; for  
all sort of people doe daily come aboard of  
her, and freely, and voluntarily offer her their  
best service, so that it is a wonder to see how  
bravely she is man'd, and (many times) wo-  
men doe take their turnes at helme, and steere  
their courses as well as men. She is a ship con-  
trary to all other ships; for she rowles, reeles  
and tumbles most of all when she is in a calm  
harbour; and the more lading shee takes in,  
the more unsteddy shee is; for if the Sea be  
as calm as a milk-pan, yet is she ever tossing,  
which makes her Mariners sea-sick, and sub-  
ject to much *Casting*. Her Ordnance are Gal-  
lons, Pettles, Quarts, Pintes, and the mizers  
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Gallon; with three hoop'd pots, Kans, Goddards : in the which Artillery, almost every one hath the skill to charge and discharge, maintaining the fight so long as they can either stand or underitand. The Master of her is an *Amsterdam'd* man, his name is *Cornelius van Broaken gulch*; the Master Gunner was one *Denis Whirlpoole*, a man of *Doepe*, with *Gulph* the Purser, *Swallow* the Bot-swaine, and *Swill* the Steward.

2 The second Ship in the Regiment with the Goodfellow-Ship, was the *Sow of Flusshing*, shee was a vessell unseemely to the eye, but yet serviceable.

3 The *Carowse*, a Ship of hot service, and as the Spider suckes the sweetnesse of the fairest flowers, converting their juice into poyson, so the Saylor in this Ship have taken a use to drinke other mens healths, to the amplifying of their owne diseases.

4 The *Quasse*, a quick smart ship, much of the bulke and carriage of the *Carrowse*.

5 The *Bissle of Breda*, a small Ship, yet in continuall service, her worst fault is, she is  
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so low built, that her Mariners can hardly keep themselves dry.

6 The *Sheper* of *Rotterdam*, a great Ship of exceeding necessary use, and much imployment; she is to the whole Regiment, in the nature of an Hospital or Spittle, for when any of them are wounded, Pot-shot, Iug-bitten, or Cup-shaken, so that they have lost all reasonable faculties of the mind, and in a manner are so mad, that they dare speake felony, whistle treason, and call any Magnifico a mungrell; in such desperat cases as this, the distracted parties are brought aboard the *Sleeper*, where *Time* like a good Cloath-wor-ker, with setting a good nap upon their thred-bare eyes, their wits that were spent, and like Notherne Cloath, shrunke in the wetting, are speedily recovered.

So likewise for the limbs and members of the body, she is the onely, *Æsculapian* Tabernacle; and to speak the truth, *Saint Winifrides* Well, the *Bath* or *Spaw*, are not to be compared to this Ship, for speedy ease and cure: for I have seen many that were so dim-sigh-

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ted, that they could not see their way at noone-day, and others have beene so defective in their speech, that they could not speake one wise word, and others so lame of their legs, that they could neither goe or stand, and with a few houres lying aboard of this easie ship, their sights, speech, and legs have beene all recovered.

7 The *Whiffe*, a small Pinnace of *Varina*.

8 The *Puffe*, a Barke of *Virginia*.

9 The *Vapour*, a Frigot of *Trinidado*.

10 The *Snuffe*, a Carvell of *Bermoodoes*.

11 The *Barke Beggerly*, before mentioned, man'd with old cashiered soldiers, Mariners, and Servingmen, negligent Tradesman, with some few Courtiers, whose dyet is onely *Starve-Ling*.

### *The Apprentice-Ship.*

**T**HIS ship is very slow of sayle, so that a man may make two East *India* voyages, or Girdle the terrestriall *Globe* twice about (as *Sir Francis Drake* did once) before she can make



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make a returne; the compasse whereby she shewes her course, is (for the most part) in our *Troynovantine* Ocean, within the sound of *Bow-bell*; in stead of a Map or Cart, shee is directed by an Indenture, whereby shee hath more knowledge in the time to come, then any Witch or Conjuror; for by only looking on it, the least Ship-boy that's in her can tell when her voyage will be done; she is a vessel that is both singular and single, for none but single persons must board her: and (to avoid double dealing) she hath banished Matrimony out of her quarters for seaven yeares or more; her Mariners doe (against their wils) endure much hardnes, as hunger, thirst, heat, cold, watching, toyle and travell; yet many times they are allowed more Lamb and Rib-roast than they would have; yet by patience & long suffering, many of them doe chance to be preferd (in time) to sayle in the *Lord-Ship*, *Court-Ship*, *Surety-Ship*, or some other bottom of Honor or eminencie; for they claim a freedome of all Trades whatsoever, and are so mysticall in their diversities of mysteries,

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that no one man living can describe them : yet (for the most part) weight and measure are their guides, by weight from the Scruple to the Dram, from the Tunne to the three Tunnes, and to the three hundred thousand millions : and by measure from the halfe quarter Pint to the whole quarter Sack; from lesse than the Inch to the Ell, to the Furlong, to the Firmament, and downe to the bottom of the Celler, to the Ocean and the Taylors hell, who indeed are accounted the best *bread* men in the Ship, and such as goe through stich with what they take in hand. There are divers functions which never doe come aboard of this Ship, as Cuckolds, Wittols, and other which I could name: but to supply these wants, shee is seldome unfurnished of young lying Knaves, Whores, and Theeves, who (as the cockle grows among the wheat) doe sayle in the *Apprentice-Ship*, and share as much benefit as most of her labouring Mariners. She hath small attendance, for indeed she is the onely bounden servant in the Nation, onely there is a sluggish vessell called the

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the *Tedious* that sayles with her, with foure  
small Pinnaces, as

- 1 The Lodge.
- 2 The Dyet.
- 3 The Wath.
- 4 The Wring.

And sometimes double, single, or no appa-  
rell is allowed to the Saylors when the voy-  
age is ended.

### *The Court-Ship, with her Regiment.*

**C**ourt-Ship, is a vessell of royall and mag-  
nificent burthen, of eminent command,  
and invincible force, if shee bee well man'd,  
carefully rigg'd discretly ballac'd, and wise-  
ly steered; she is of an impregnable strength,  
that neither the stormes of saweie censure,  
the Gusts of Mallapart babling, the flawses of  
Envie, the Tempests of Temporising tale-  
bearers, or the smooth calmes of Flattery, can  
make her sayle to any other Harbour than  
the famous Ports and Havens of Vertue, Ho-

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nour and perpetuall happinesse.

But (to use sea-terms and Phrases) there are a crew of unprofitable *Steale-sharers*, peremptory *Hot-shots*, idle *Flat-sheates*, and unserviceable uselesse *Loose guise*, that doe attempt to board this worthy admired ship, and so having boarded her (like *Drones*) they eat and live upon the labours and deserts of painefull industrious Mariners; these are the youthes that after they have foysted themselves into some meane place or office, though it bee but a Swabber, Lyer, or Lyers Mate, (alwayes provided that they have sworne themselves into good cloathes) then let all their acquaintance and friends stand further off, for they esteeme themselves to bee no more mortall, so that a man had farre better speake to the Master and owner of the ship himselfe, than to any of these Puck-foysts: yet there is great shew of zeale in their salutation to any one they meet, for the word *God save yee*, is as common as the Ayre with them, but in effect they neither mind God nor the party they speak too, and  
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(like an Ape for an Apple ) they can kisse their paw, inviting a man to their Cabbin, but whosoever takes them at their word, they hold him to want maners, and to be a fellow of no breeding. The ignorant Assse that carried the *Aegyptian* Goodesse *Isis* in procession, when the more ignorant people kneeled downe to adore the Goddesse, the witlesse Assse thought it had been in reverence to him: so in like maner these upstart ship boyes, having once crept into any inferior office in the ship, and withall being covered with silke and good borrowed beaten Sattin, lin'd and butter'd through with Plush or Velvet, they arrogantly imagine, that all the reverence or respect that men do either for their undeserved place, or gawdy out-side, is done to their persons; but I would have them understand that they are honoured and worship'd with the same devotion as the barbarous *Brasilians*, *Americans* and *Virginians* doe adore the Devill withall, which is not for the hope of any good w<sup>ch</sup> they expect, but for feare of the hurt which they suppose the Devill can doe them.

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them. The cenclosure is, that when a storme or tempest comes, the Noble, stout, skilfull Navigator stands to his Tackling and courageously applies himselfe either to Top and Yard, Helme and Lead, from Post to Stem, and from Prow to Quarter, when all the service Mounfier *Mushrome* and his Mate can doe, is either to eate, sleepe, spew and stinke, and at last for some notorious or meritorious worke, they are duck'd from the very yeard-atme of State, into the deep sea of disgrace, and turn'd a shore like *Cain's* Imps, preferr'd to their due estates of Runagates and Vagabonds.

### *The Squadron of Ships that went under the command of the Court-Ship.*

1 **T**HE *Renowne*, a Ship of worthy port, strength and burthen, man'd with approved and experienc'd soldiers and saylors.

2 The *Courage*.

3 The *Resolution*.

4 The *Fore-fight*.

5 The

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5 *The Expedition.*

6 *The Loyalty.*

*The Perseverance.* Six tall ships of most excellent service and performance.

7 *The Complement.*

8 *The Briske.*

9 *The Strange.* Three Gallant Pinnaces, but of very small use, profit or service.

10 *The Oblivious.* A ship of great burthen, and most plentifully man'd, with those that had forgotten their Parents, kindred, friends, birth, estate, breeding, & indeed such as were so farre out of knowledge to know any man, that they had no acquaintance of themselves, and being mere strangers to their owne qualities & conditions; and thus was the *Courthouse* appointed and attended; much of her great Ordnance were *Promises*, the Powder breath, and airy performance were the shot, which by reason of the tossing of the billows and unquiet surges of the sea, did often misse the marke.

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*The Friend-Ship.*

**W**As a Vessell of great account and estimation, *David* and *Jonathan*, *Damon* and *Pithias*, *Pilades* and *Orestes*, *Alexander* and *Lodowicke*, *Scipio* and *Lealius*, did most lovingly & unfeignedly sayle in her: indeed she was free for all commers of what country, sexe, age, or estate soever, for the word *Friend* imports free end, which is as much as the end and intention of *Friend Ship* is free: In these later times, shee should have gone to sea, but ther were not men to be gotten to man her, so for a shift they were faine to furnish her with Kindred, Nunkles, and Cousins, with here and there a false brother: *Herod* and *Pilate* went aboard this ship (with a shamefull deale of love frō the teeth outward) but their purpose was to destroy innocent blood. It was a merry world when *Fidelity* was Master of this Ship, *Constancie* his Mate, and *Plaine-dealing* the Boatswain: but those worthy Mariners are dead, and an old Proverb as sure as Checke with them: in a word, the old ship is decayd



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decad and rotten, having only the bare name left, for she is so much past service, that shee can hardly steere or beare sayle, with an adverse contrary gale, she will fall to Leeward most abominably, yet with a prosperous and fortunat wind, she will spread all her Canvas exceeding faire and hypocriticall, and so Ile describe no further, because she is growne to that cheape rate, that a man may have her at Billingsgate for a box on the eare.

The *Friend-Ship* had two very small Pin- naces in her Squadron, named,

1 The *Cogge*.

2 The *Foyste*, other attendants she had few or none, for indeed none but these two & one great ship called the *Fraud* were in request.

### *The Fellow-Ship, with her Regiment.*

**T**HIS Ship was in old time a Ship of unity and equality, when every man thought better of his neighbour than of himselfe, then the Master & his Mate (in a loving sympathy) had an inward fellow-feeling of the grieves, paines

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paines, toyles, labours, infirmities, and wants of the meanest Saylor or Ship-boy; but now the case is so altered, that though we be all of **one house**, yet not all *Fellowes*: and though all **one Livery**, yet (by your leave) no *Fellow-Ship*, for by that consequence, many times the **Page**, the **Foot-man**, the **Coach-man** and his **horses** might challenge *Fellow-Ship*, by their **trapping** and comparable **Caparisons**; indeed, selfe-love hath bred such a dis-union and disconsonance amongst men, that one thiefe doth disdain *Fellow-Ship* with another: so that this Ship, (to patch up her reputation in some poore fashion) because she will bee man'd and laden with none but with **fellows**, she carries none but **Foot-ball players** and **Water-men**: her lading being **plowing Oxen**, **Coach-horses**, **Boots**, **Spurs**, **shoes**, **Pantoffles**, **Slippers**, **Galloshes**, **Gammashoes**, **Sockes**, **Cuffes**, **Gloves**, **Gantlets**, **Case of Rapiers**, and such things as were by **Art** or **Nature** coupled and made **Fellows**; this ship was once in such estimatiō, that *Julius Caesar* would have beene content to have sayled in her, but  
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that the great *Pompey* scorn'd any equality, and would by no meanes board the *Fellow-Ship* with any man. In brieft she is a vessel of such duplicity, that a fellow with one eie, one eare, hand, stone, leg or foot, must not enter her, nor any Sculler or single-soal'd person come within the shadow of the smoaks shadow of her Ordnance.

The Ships that went in her Regiment or Squadron were these.

1 The *Distruct*, a Ship that sayles alwayes neere the *Fellow-Ship*.

2 The *Pickthanke*, a Ship of great employment, that commonly sayles out of fight or hearing, her lading being for the most part, privat complaints, whispering intelligences, and secret informations.

3 The *Brawle*, a turbulent Ship in continuall action.

4 The *Snarle*, a small dogged Pinnance, of more use than profit.

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*The Footman-Ship, with her*  
*Regiment.*

**T**HIS Ship is of most ancient and greatest antiquity, for shee was before any other Ship was thought on, our old father *Adam* sayled in her, & was the first Footman in the world. And Prince *Absalom* the Son of *David* had no lesse than 50 of these terrestriall Amblers to pace before him: how it came to be called a ship I cannot relate, but by Annagramatical or mysticall cōjecture, the only trade of a Footman is running, and running away, and quite contrary to valor or man-hood, he is accounted the best man amongst them that can run away fastest, & he is called and esteemed a man of good Footman-Ship, which word Annagramatiz'd is Foe to Man-Ship, importing that running away is an enemy or foe to Manhood, valour and resolution, (thus much by way of Paradox).

Let the winde blow where it will, yet all weathers this Ship sayles a Trot, her light-footed, nimble heel'd Mariners (like so  
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many dancers)capering in the *Pumps* and vanities of this sinfull world,sometimes a Morisca or Trenchmore of forty miles long, to the tune of *Dusty my deere , Dirty come thou to mee, Dun out of the mire, or I waille in woe, and plunge in paine*, all these dances have no other musicke , except now and than he chance to heare an oath , or a curse or two from the Coachman.

These Saylor's , the most part and best of them are bred in a Kingdome of much fertility and plenty, called *Realdine*, where after they have all their youth been accustomed to weare Brogues and Truzes, their fare being many times shamrookes,oaten-bread,beanes and butter-milke , arm'd upon starke naked, with a Dart or a Skeene, steel'd with the spirit of Vsqwabath,then they crosse a Ditch of eight houres sayle, and land in the most flourishing kingdome of *Triabnie*, where by their good Footman-Ship they are turned out of their old habits, into Iackets of good Preterpluperfect Velvet , plated with silver or *Argentum Vivum*, (for the quicknesse) and all to be embroydred backe and side,with the best

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gold twist, and the best of the silke-worme, sometimes with a Court (a Coat of Guard, I should say) or a Coat of Regard, being well guarded, unregarded, with such a deale of feather ribbands, & poynts, that he seems to be a running Habberdashers shop of small wares.

Yet are those men free frō Pride, for their greatest Ambition is not to ride, but to foot it, or else to sweep Chimneyes, or turne Costermongers; this is the altitude of their aime, & the profundity of their felicity; nevertheles they know themselves to be great mens Trappings, couragious Torch-bearers, illustrious Firedrakes, glorious and sumptuous Turmoylers, they are far from the griping sins of usury and Extortion, and are such Philosophicall contemners of the world, that every day they tread it under their feet, and trample on it, and they are such haters of wickednesse, that they leave it in all places where they come: they are not covetous of other mens lands, for they make all the haste they can every day to leave it behind them: they are so much to bee trusted, that their words are as good as their bonds; yet in this their humility they may

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may compare with Emperors, for they are as brave as *Nero*, and can drinke with *Tiberius*: To conclude, the *Footman-Ship* is man'd with well breath'd Mariners, who after all their long, painfull, and faithfull service, are ship'd in the *Barke-beggerly*, and brought to an *Anker* in the *Haven of Cripplegate*.

There were in the Regiment with the *Footman-Ship* foure small Pinnaces.

1 The *Sweat*, a vessell of warme imployment or hot service.

2 The *Moyie*, a *Fregate* that will endure much foule weather.

3 The *Toyle*, a *Barke* for all weathers, winter or Summer.

4 The *Cripple*, an old *Drumlet*, quite past service.

## *The Horseman-Ship, with her Squadron.*

**H**orseman-Ship had not so faire a beginning as *Footman-Ship*, for *Gaine* who was the first vagabond and runnagate in the world, was also the first that back'd and managed a Horse (as *Polydore Virgil* saith) no doubt

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doubt after hee had murdered his brother, seeing he could not run from the horroir of his conscience, therefore he practised Horseman-Ship, because perhaps hee thought to ride from himselfe. This Ship hath more paces than time hath, and the comparison may hold well, for in long vacations, quarter dayes, against payment of Bonds, absence of true friends, or protracting of maides marriages, after the Banes hath been thrice asked, in these cases the Lawyer, the Land-lord, the Vsurer, the Friends, and the Contracted couple, doe thinke time to bee foundred, starke lame, or quite tyred, and that his best pace is after 14 miles in 15 dayes; whilst many a poore Client, an unprovided Tennant, or unfurnished debtor, or a fellow going to bee hang'd, they thinke time is all upon the spur; and that he runs at full speed a wilde gallop. And as a Ship at sea sayles sometimes by the wind, sometimes before the wind, sometimes with a quarter wind, sometimes with a stonne sheate, and sometimes with tack hard a board and Bolin stretch'd and sheate close after, by all which winds she sayles severall paces: so  
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Horseman-Ship hath the Trot, the Amble, the Racke, the Pace, the false and wild Gallop, or the full speed; and as severall vessels at sea doe make up a Navie, as Carracks, Argosyes, Hulks, Ships, Barks, Pinnaces, Hoyghs, Drumlers, Fregates, Brigandines, Carvels, Catches, Gallies, Gallions, Galleyfoystes, Foystes, Galley-Asses, and Asses-Galleyes; so this Horseman-Ship hath to attend her, her *Spanish Gennet*, her *Barbary horse*, her *Naples Courser*, her *German Steed*, her *Flanders Mare*, her *Galloway Nagge*, her *Irish Hobby*, her *French Chevala*, her *Welsh Palsfray*, her *Englisb All*, her *Smithfield Iade*, and her *Bartholmew Hoby-horse*; and contrarie to all other Ships, which have their Bridle, Helme, or Rudder, in their sterne or tayle, Horseman-Ship is altogether directed and steered by the head, wherby, for want of good managing, many times the Rider makes a head-long voyage (like a man of good fore-cast) over the horse head. And as Horsemen are none of the best Mariners, so Mariners are commonly the worst Horsemen, as one of them being upon a tyred Hackney once (his companions pray'd him to ride faster)

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stor.) He said hee was becalm'd.  
Another mounted upon a foundred Iade,  
that stumbled three or 4 times headlong, the  
Saylor imagined that his horse was too much  
laden a head, or foreward on (as the sea phrase  
is) and therfore to ballast him that he might  
go or sayle with an even keele, he alighted,  
and fill'd his lerkins sleeves full of stones, and  
ty'd them fast to his horse crouper, supposing  
to make his sterne as deepe laden as his head  
to avoyd stumbling.

Indeed this Horseman Ship is never unfur-  
nished of a Iades trick or two at a pinch or  
time of need, (and contrary to any other ship)  
in the fairest weather it will heave, set, wince,  
kick, fling, and curvet, like a Midsummer Mor-  
ris dancer, or as if the Devill were practising  
a *French Lavolta*, or *Corante*: but I cannot  
blame them to be lussy, for they are not put  
to such hard allowance as many poor Seafa-  
ring Mariners are with a snatch and away;  
but Horseman Ship hath racke and manger so  
much at command, that provender prickes  
them, either to Tilt or Tourney, or long or  
short journey, and if good literature may be  
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in a horse, then I am sure many of them are so well litter'd, and they are so proud of it, that every morning & evening the Groome, Hostler, or Horse-keeper: are faine to smooth, cog and *Curry* favour with them. It was reported lately in a Currant (for currant news) that a troope of *French* Horse did take a Fleet of *Turkish* Gallies, in the *Adriaticke* Sea, neere the Gulph of *Venice*, the newes was welcom to mee, though I was in some doubt of the truth of it, but after I heard that the horses were shod with very thicke corke, then I believed asmuch as I hope my Reader will, and I am sure I have heard of many more impossibilities as true as that.

Of all living things, a Horse hath the strangest buriall being dead; for Wolves, Dogs, Swine, Kites, Ravens, Crows, and such beasts and birds of prey and rapine, are commonly the living sepulchers of dead Horses: and now I remember that thirty yeares since, I read of a rich and magnicent Funerall of a Horse which was the beloved Palfrey of the famous Emperor *Nero*, and as neere as I can, I will describe the manner of it.

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This Horse was a present sent to the Emperour from *Naples* to *Rome*, being a stately beast, in colour milke white, except here and there a small blacke spot like a fleabiting, for which *Nero* caused him to be named Fleabitten *Otho*, for the love he bare to one *Otho*, a parasiticall Courtier, who was Emperour after him next except *Galba*; In brieife *Nero* took such a liking to the Horse, that he vow'd to the immortall Gods, that if the beast dyed whilst he lived, he would have him buried with all solemnity and funerall Pompe, as was becomming the Horse of so great a Monarch; and as fortune would have it, within some few months, the Horse proved himselfe a mortall beast, yielding his breath into the ayre, his carkasse being too compendious an abridgement or Epitomy for the magnitude or amplitude of his spirit.

All the Colledge of Horsfleeches and Farriers in *Rome*, were commanded to his embowelling, to see, if in their mature wisdoms they could find by the symptomes of what disease he dyed, every man spent his judgement; some sayd he dyed of a surfet, having

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no measure of himselfe, being pamperd with the delicate delights of the Court; others said that hee understood of the oath which his Master *Nero* had taken concerning his pompous buriall, and therefore for very pride hee dyed, to make his name famous by his obsequies: but there was one old Horsleech that contradicted them all, and he did affirme that he dyed of a hert grieve and sudden melancholly, whereupon the stable Groomes were examined, who quickly cleared all doubts thus.

Truly said one of them, this skilfull Gentleman hath rightly guesed, for I leading *Fleabitten Otho* to the water, (after hee had dranke a health to the Emperour) as he was comming backe to the stable, two of the Senators Horses met him, taking the wall of him, not giving him any reverence or dutifull respect, he being his Majesties onely favorite (of a horse) for which disobedience of theirs, he presently fell sicke, tooke his bed, made his will, and set his goods in such order as shall be declared.

When this newes came to the Emperour, hee

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hee being grieved for his horse, and offended with the two Senators who had taught their Iades no better maners, than to take the wall of his Majesties Horse, hee dismissed them from their Offices, and made two of his own stable Groomes Senatours in their roomes, and after proceeded to the Funerall of his Horse, in manner and forme following.

First, a hundred poore gald Hackneys, and next three hundred labouring Asles, all covered with black Cotton, going two and two, every one having two bottles of Hay on their backs, the onely gift of the deceased: then a hundred hunting Nags, and fifty Coach-horses, with ten horses of State, with each two horse-loaves for dyet bread. Then followed the *Plebeians* in mourning habit, two hundred in number; next the stable Groomes, Purveyers, Clarkes of the stable, Farriers, Horsfleeches, and Gentlemen of the stable, 3 hundred.

Then went the Sadlers, Charioteeres, Waggomers, Carters, Sumptermen, Littermen and Coachmen, three hundred.

After them, Singers, Pagan Priests, *Flamines*, and *Archflamines*, seventy.

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Then the Hearse richly behung with Scutcheons, devices, Mottoes, and Impresses.

After them, the Emperour *Nero* chiefe mourner, and his Train borne up by *Otho*, and young *Sporus*.

Next went two old Asses all in black Velvet, as mourners of State, or *Chevals de deuil*.

Then followed *Agripina* (*Nero* his mother) with the faire *Popeia*, and the beautifull *Acte*, (two of his Concubines) and after them *Galba Nimphidius Vissellius*, with others; it is thought that *Seneca* sate all the while in his study laughing at the Funerall.

Lastly a great troope of straggling attendants: The Hearse being set downe in *Campus Martius*, *Otho* beganne this speech which followeth, in blanke Verse.

**I**njurious death to make an Emperor mourne  
Fleabitten *Otho's* timelesse Exequies,  
Who might have liv'd & born great Conquerors,  
And beene the Father of most vallant Colts;  
Lament ye Meads, whereon this Palfray graz'd,  
Ah! strew the streets of Rome with rottē hay. (griefe  
Let Pease, Beanes, Oates, and horsf-bread must with

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Rust Curry combes, and Saddles rend in sunder,  
Breake stirrop-leathers, girths and bridle, break,  
Fall rack and manger, planks split all in twaine,  
For you shall ne're support his weight againe,  
You stable Groomes that comb'd his crisped mane,  
And oft were grac'd to make up Otho's traine,  
Sigh, grone, and weep, lament and howle, and cry,  
In litter, and horse-dung everlastingly:  
Thinke how brave Otho did his breath respire,  
Who with his heeles hath oft strucke sparkling fire.

## Heare Nero speakes.

**T**He bravest beast that ever Emperour back'd,  
That thump'd the field of Mars with greater  
Than Pegasus, bearing Titronia (grace  
About the valleyes neere the Moses Hills,  
In battell swifter than the Northern wind;  
But in a triumph ston'd and full of state,  
Lifting his hooves, as if he scorn'd the ground,  
And meant to make the ayre support his weight.  
As mannerly and moderate at his meat  
As is a Bridegroom on his wedding day,  
For never wou'd he touch a locke of hay  
Or smell unto a heape of provender  
Untill he heard a noyse of trumpets sound,  
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Whereby he knew our meat was served in ;  
But after meales how he would meditate  
Upon his Tutors reverend documents,  
And by himselfe would practise what was taught.  
Offering to run the Ring, and fetch Curvets, (him  
To trot in state as we were on his backe,  
And to out doe his Schoole-master in Art,  
The thoughts of these things (Otho) kills my heart.

### Otho speakes to the two Asses.

**T**hen these poore Animals have cause to weep,  
Most reverend Asses, you have lost a friend,  
A friend, a father have your worships lost,  
Who would have given you pensions in your age,  
And made you Beades-men free from cariages.  
When he lay speechlesse, on his death-bed, then  
He pointed to the Hay-loft with his heeles,  
As who should say, if I dye, give it them :  
Then to the Wardens of his Company,  
For he was made free of the Black-smithes Craft)  
He turn'd about, bade them pull off his shoes,  
And take them as true tokens of his love.  
And as he dying shew'd his love to them,  
Because his Master did delight in Playes,  
He wil'd that of his mane should beards be made,  
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*And of his tayle, a head-sire for a Devill.  
One Asse he made his sole Executor,  
The other Over-seer of his will:  
Grant Iupiter they may performe the same,  
To doe and Over-see, that men may say  
They were Iust Over-seers another day.*

### *Epitaph.*

**H***ere lyas the Horse, whose foure foot Progeny  
Did trot in blood before the walls of Troy:  
Yea in the bowels of the Greekes perdye,  
And on his brest this Motto, Par ma foy,  
Kin (by the Sire) to winged Pegasus,  
And by the Mother to the King of Mules,  
Whose Vnckle was the great Bucephalus, (Gules.  
Whose Armes, foure hors-shoes, and the field was*

To conclude, this Horsman Ship after many stormes, tempests, gusts, and flawes, came at last home to her ancient Haven, the Bear-garden, richly laden with these commodities following.

The Chinegall, the Navellgall, Windgall, Spurgall, Lightgall, and Shacklegall, the Wormes, Staggers, the Mallenders and Sallenders, Scratches, Pole-evill, the Anticore

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ticore and the Pomparbye, the Dropsie, the Feaver, the Palsie, the Glanders, the Frenzy, the Cough and the Colt-evill, the Yellows, the Fashions, the Splinters, the Spavines, the Ring-bones, the Quitter-bones, the Curbes, the rotten frush, and the Crowne-scabb, the Hide-bound, the Hawes, the Crestfall, the Vives, the Bloody-risses, the Crampe, and the Canker, the howkes, the Toothake, the Surfet, the Tongue-hurt, the Paps and the Bladders, the Tirednesse, the Lowfinesse, the Surbate, the Farley, the Pose and the Strangle, the Broken-wind, the Hooft-bound, the Botch, the Bots, the Wen in the Groyne, the Rot in the Lungs, the Kybes, the Pearle, and the Pin and Webbe, the Cloyd, the Blood-shot, the Wrung in the Withers, the Straine, the Prick in the sole, the loose in the Hooft, the Graveld, the Foundring, and the Shedding of the haire, the Horse-hipped, the Wrench, the Necke-cricke, and the Shoulder splat.

These are the commodities wherewith the *Horseman Ship* was fraught, which are so shared and devided, that a man cannot light of any

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any horse, young or old, but hee is furnished with one, two, or more of these excellent gifts.

The Ships that attended in the Squadron or Regiment with the Horseman-Ship, were these:

1 The *Race*, an adventurous vessell of much expectation, and admirable swiftnesse.

2 The *Poste*, a vessell of much use, quick returne, and exceeding hazard, toyle and travell.

3 The *Hackney*, a most serviceable Pinnace, that endures all weathers, and is so common, that she is to be hired by any, or used by all.

## *The Surety-Ship, with her Squadron or Regiment.*

**T**His is a Ship of great antiquity, and makes more voyages than all the rest of the Navie, she is the onely Marchant adventurer under the Sun, for they that sayle in her, doe hazard goods, lands, money, reputation, friends, kindred, credit, liberty, and life; of all which rich commodities (alwaies at her returnes) she is so provident, that shee makes

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makes one Iayle or other her ware-house, where it is more safely kept under locke and key, than the golden Apples of the *Hesperides* were garded by the Dragon; shee is so easie to bee boarded, that a man need not trouble his feet to enter her, or use any boat to come to her, for if all her Mariners should goe to her by water, then were a Waterman the richest trade below the Moone; onely a dash with a pen, the writing of a mans name, passing his Word, or setting his Marke, (though it be but the forme of a paire of pot-hooks, a Crosse, a crooked Biller, or a M. for *Iohn Tompson*, any of these facile wayes hath ship'd a man into the *Surety-Ship*, during his life and his heires after him; and though the entrance into her bee so easie, yet shee is so full of impertinent and needy courtisie, that many men will lend a man a hand into her, with more faire entreaties, requests and invitations, then are commonly used to a Maske at the Court, or a groce of Gossips in the Countrey; and being once entred, a tenn-peny naile driven to the head may as soone leape out of an Oaken post, as a man

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may get a shore againe: shee is painted on the out-side with vowes and promises, and within her are the Stories of the tatter'd Prodigall, eating Huskes with the Swine, the Picture of *Niobe*, with *Allecto*, *Tisiphone*, and *Megara*, dancing lachrimæ: Her Armes are a Goose quill or pen, couchant in a sheepe-skin field sable, the Motto above *No-verint universi*; the supporters, a Vsurer and a Scrivener, the crest, a *Woodcocke*, the Mantles, red wax, with this other Motto beneath, *Seal'd and Deliver'd*, this Ship hath the Art to make parchment the deereſt ſtuſſe in the world; For I have ſeene a piece little bigger than my two hands, that hath coſt a man a thouſand pound, I my ſelte payd a hundred pound once for a ſmall rotten remnant of it. Shee is rigg'd moſt ſtrangely, her Ropes and Cables are *Conditions and Obligations*, her Anchors are Leases forfeited, her Lead and Line are *Morgages*, her maine ſayles are interchangeable *Indentures*, and her top-ſayles Bills and Bonds, her ſmall ſhot are *Arreſts* and *Actions*, her great Ordnance are *Extents*, *Out-lawries* and *Executions*: All her  
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deckes are stucke with tenter-hookes, to hold those fast that enter her, her lading is Locks, Keyes, Bolts, Shackles, Manacles, Fetters, Grates, *Traps* for vermin, *Grinnes* for wilde Guls, *Baytes* for tame Fooles, *Sprindges* for Woodcocks, *Pursenets* for Connies, *Toyles* for mad Buckes, *Pennes* for Geese, *Hookes* for Gudgeons, *Snares* for Buzzards, *Bridles* for old lades, *Curbes* for Colts, *Pit-fals* for Bulfinches, and *Hempen-slips* for Affes, and besides all this, shee is plentifully stored with want, hunger, cold, poverty and nakednesse.

The Ocean that shee sayles in, is the spacious *Marshall-Sea*; sometimes shee ankers at the *Kings-Bench*, sometimes at the Gulph of the *Gate-house*, sometimes at the *Whitie-Lyon* Creeke, sometimes at *Newgate* Road, sometimes at *Ludgate* Bay, sometimes at *Wood-street* Harbour, and sometimes at the *Poultry* Haven.

There is great reason to call a man being bound for another, *Surety-Ship*, for a Ship is an unruly beast, if shee be not surely tyed, mored, and ankered, and therefore to be

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a *Surety* is as much as to say *Ty-sure*, the addition of the word *Ship* being a kind of metaphoricall allusion, to the turbulent tossing of the infortunate surety upon the restless waves and billowes of miserable varieties and mutabilities of time and trouble.

And though *Surety-Ship* be (for the most part) prejudiciall and banefull onely to it selfe, yet as in the Sea, the rising of one Wave proceeds out of the fall of another; so out of the ruines of *Surety Ship-Wracke*, (like Beetles or *Scarabs* which breed out of Dung) there doe spring a swarme or generation of vertues (*Vipers* I was about to say) as busie *Solicitors*, nimble tongu'd *Pettifoggers*, greedy *Servants*, hungry *Teemen*, devouring *Catchpoles*, boystrous *Bayliffes*, *Marshals men* mercilesse, dogged *Taylors*, and currish underkeepers; for as the Butchers trade is to live upon the slaughter of Beasts; so cannot the kennels, litters and styes of those above named *Antropophagi* or *Canibals*, live, eat, or subsist, but upon the confusion of men, and as a horse being dead in the fields and strip't, is a banquet for Dogs, Hogs, Ravens, Kites



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Kites and Crowes, so is a Surety to those Vermins, who devoure, and prey upon his estate and carkasse both alive and dead.

But for conclusion of this blunt point, I thinke I have mistaken all this while in calling it *Surety Ship*, for the consequence and successe of the voyage will better allow it the name of *Sure-ty Sheep*, which is a warning or document to *Ty the Sheepe Sure*, which I imagine to be a significant inversion of the word, for as the bridle, and harnasse of a live horse is for the most part made of the skin of a dead horse, so he that is bound for another mans debt, is like a silly innocent sheepe (of which flocke I may for my ranke and calling be a Bell-weather) with a bond of a dead sheepe skin *tyed sure*, a *sure ty*, either to pay the debt, or surely hee is sure to lye (if his ability helpe not) where I would be loath to be his bed-fellow.

The Ships and Pinnaces that are in the Regiment with the *Surety Ship* are these:  
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1 The *Adventerous*, a desperate hot Ship, very hard to be guided or steered in any steddy course.

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2 The *Kind-heart*, a Ship that will sayle any whether, or to what Port a man would have her.

3 The *Foole*, a Ship of great burthen, and for sayle and steerage much like the *Kind-heart*.

4 The *Negligence*, an Argosy that through want of good fore-sight, brought the *Surrey-Ship* in great danger.

5 The *Decay*, a Ship much broken.

6 The *Scape-thrift*, a small ragged Catch, that hangs or depends upon the whole Regiment.

## *The Wor-Ship, with her Squadron or Regiment.*

**T**Hough the first syllable of this Ships name be, *Worse*, whereby shee is called *Worse-Ship*, yet shee is a better Ship than many are aware of, and indeed she is far too good for every, or for any Knave to come aboard of her. In my opinion she doth not belong to any mortall man, for God himself is both Owner and Master of her.

Yet many there are who claime an interest  
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in her; as first the Devill would have her belong to him, for which cause he makes many barbarous Nations to adore and *Wor-Ship* him, and to sacrifice themselves, their children, and all that they esteeme dearest unto them, to his internall Hell-hood, and for his better holding and keeping of this *Worship*, he hath his Ministers and Agents, in the most Kingdoms of Christendome, who with their juggling leagerdemaine, hath gul'd, blinded and belotted many thousands of all estates, ages and sexes, that they will fall downe and *Worship* Stocks, Stones, Blocks, Idols, Images, Reliques, dead mens bones, or a piece of bread, as the Heathen Idolatrous Egyptians did formerly adore and *Wor-Ship* Oy-nions and Garlicke.

And as there are many that for desert are worthy Pilots, Steeremen and Mariners in the *Worship*, and are Ship'd into her only for their merits, so there are a great many, and more than a good many, that by fallshood and indirect courses have ship'd themselves into her: for as *Cornelius Agrippa* saith in his *Vanity of Sciences*, some have gotten

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the *Wor-Ship* by cutting throates in the wars; some by being great mens Bawds, or Cuckolds in peace; some for marrying of cast Stale Concubines, or Bastards; some by bribery, extortion or oppression; some by false weights and measures; some by the excessive drunkennes of others: some by theft, some upon credit, some for ready money, and some for favour; which is a word crept into the place of merit since the dayes of *Quintillian* the Oratour: the most corrupted Justice will board her; the sloathfullest Divine will have a Cabin in her; the carper Knight will be ship'd in her; the most cowardly Captaine will enter her, and many of least faith and conscience will lay claime to her; she having store of such false owners, I say no more of her, but commit her to the mercie of wind, tyde, and time.

There went with her in her Regiment, these that follow.

1 The *Abuse*, an old Ship, too much in use.

2 The *Purchase*, a vessell all for Symony or ready money.

3 The

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3 The *Mitrimus*, a dangerous Barke,  
whose word is, *At your perill.*

### *The Huntsman-Ship, or Wood- man-Ship, with her Squadron, or Regiment.*

**A** Good Huntsman is a good Woodman,  
and a Woodman is a mad man in the  
North parts of *England*, for when they think  
that a man is distracted or frenzie, they  
will say the man is Wood, (meaning mad)  
the reason why it is called *Woodman-Ship*,  
I take it to be thus derived, as first a *Ship*  
hath a multiplicite of Ropes, Cordage,  
Masts, Rigging, and Ground-tackle (which  
I have partly named before in the *Lady-  
Ship*,) So hath this *Woodman-Ship* divers  
and sundry tearmes of Art, (almost past  
numbring) as you may say *Rowze a Bucke*,  
*Start a Hare*, and *Vnkennell a Fox*: againe  
you must *Harbour a Hart*, and *Lodge a Stagge*,  
or a *Bucke*; and in proceſſe of time alwayes  
a *Hart* or a *Bucke* doe come to perfection,  
which many men (through imperfection)  
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do never attaine to; as a *Buck* is first a *Fawne*, the second yeare a *Priket*, the third a *Sorell*, the fourth a *Sore*, the fifth a *Bucke*, of the first yeare, and the sixt yeare a *Bucke*: so a *Hart* is the first yeare a *Calfe*, the second a *Broket*, the third a *Spade*, the fourth a *Staggard*, the fifth a *Stagge*, and the sixt yeare a *Hart*, (but some are of the mind, that a *Stagge* cannot be a *Hart*) untill some King or Prince have almost hunted his heart out: besides these ambiguous contigriated Phrases, the hornes have many dogmaticall and intrin-  
sicall Epithites: as a *Hart* hath the *Burres*, the *Pearles*, the *Anliers*, the *Surrantlers*, the *Royals*, the *Surroyals*, and the *Croches*. A Bucks hornes are compos'd of *Burre*, *Beame*, *Branch*, *Advancer*, *Palme*, and *Spelter*. And to decline from the Crowne or horne to the Rump or Crouper: A *Deere*, *Bore*, a *Hare*, a *Fox*, and a *Wolfe*, have no more tailes than a *Iack-an-Apes*, for it is a *Deeres Single*, a *Bores VVreath*, a *Hare* or *Connies Scut*, a *Foxes Bush*, and a *Wolfes Stern*; besides there is most excellent Terragraphicall and mun-  
dified names and titles: for that which is  
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in Welch a *Baw*, in French a *Marde*, I could name it in English, but (Sir Reverance for that) in Woodman *Ship*, it is cald a *Deeros Fewmets*, a Bore or Beares *Leasses*, a Hare or Connies *Crotteyes*, a Fox or a Badgers *Fe-ance*, and an Otters *Spraintes*, all which in English is a T, &c. I thinke *Nimrod* the great Hunter would have beene a mad man or a Wood-man if he had studied halte the wilde and hare-brain'd termes, that belongs to this *Ship*: and sure it made *Acteon* horne-mad, in his too vehiment pursuit of the Game; for what Necromanticke spells, are Rut, Vault, Slot, Pores, and Entreyes, Abatures, and Foyles, Frayenstocks, Frith, and Fell, Layres, Dewclawes and Dowlcets, drawing the Covert, Blemishes, Sewelling, Avant-lay, Allay, Relay, Foreloyning, Hunt-counter, Hunt-change, Quarry, Reward, and a thousand more such *Vtopian* fragments of confused Gibberish, and should I proceed further, I should in stead of an understanding Woodman, shew my selfe to be an ignorant mad man.

Is it not a worthy piece of service for five  
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or fixe men in the Countrey (whose dwellings are foure or five miles asunder to make a mad match) to meet together on such or such a morning to hunt or course a Hare, where if shee be hunted with Hounds, shee will leade them such a dance, that perhaps a Horse or two are kil'd, or a man or two spoyle or hurt with leaping hedges or ditches, at the least after foure or five dayes preparation, and some ten pound charge among men and horses and dogs, besides an infinite deale of toyle and trouble, and an innumerable number of oathes and curses: after this great deale of doe, the maine purchase can be no more than a poore silly Hare, which is but a dry meate, and will take more Butter in the basting than her carkass is worth.

Our ancient Progenitour or first King of this Iland (*Brute*) was so expert in this Woodman-Ship, that hee kil'd his owne father *Silvius*, shooting him with an arrow, mistaking him for a Hart, a Stagge, or a Buck, and *William* the second, Sirnamed *Rufus*, King of *England*, was by the like mischance, of a shot made at a Deere, by Sir *Walter*

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*Tirrell Knight*, slaine with the glance of an Arrow against a tree, in the New-forrest in *Hampshire*.

I thanke *Coopers Dictionary* that tels mee that *Venator* is a Hunter, and *Venatrix* a Huntresse, or a Woman Hunter, and that *Mercetrix* is a Whore, or a Woman Hunted: all these words having derivation from, or Allusion to *Venerens* Alias *Leche reous*, for though *Diana* the hunting Goddesse of Chastity bee a Constant *Venatrix*, yet *Venus* the Queene of Love never failes a right Woodman of a *Mercetrix*. But if *Venator* and *Venatrix* should Hunt as much as *Mercetrix* is (or hath beene) hunted, I thinke verily that there had not beene (or in time would not be) one Deere left in many of the greatest Forrests, Parkes and Chases of Christendome.

Besides there is not a perfect Mariner in the Woodman-Ship, but hee hath ingrafted in him a most abundant gift of promising, for one of them will sweare and vow to give more Deere away to sundry persons, than there are under the keeping and command  
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of sixe or seven of them , and I have heard that one White Bucke in a small Parke (in a place which I could name within the walles of Christendome) hath beene given away at the least to a thousand severall persons , by one keeper , and the sayd keeper is so kind that hee will never deny a Bucke to whosoever will ask. A deare friend (whom I love Deere) did promise me a *Deere*, foure yeares since, and foure Deare Iourneyes I made for my Deere, and still with delayes and demurres I was put off from my *Deere*, with promises, that at such and such a time I should have my Deere , but now I am in dispaire of my Deere , and I meane to take no more care for my Deere ; and so adiew my Deere, but indeed he that had the bounty to promise me this Deere, hath the grace to blush whensoever hee sees mee, and therefore I doe love him for his modesty and shamefastnesse, and had it not beene for that, and that I doe love him indeed, I would long before this time have sung him A Kerry-Elison, that should have made him beene glad to have promist me a brace of Buckes more

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to have stopt my mouth withall, although  
in performance my Deere had beene *Non est  
inventus*.

In a word, of all sort of Deere I hold  
stolne Venison to be the most honestly got-  
ten, because the thieves are so quiet, close,  
private, and silent, at their worke that they  
have no leasure to sweare and curse as men  
doe when it is lawfully taken, and my con-  
ceit is that where oathes and curses are most  
restrained, there most honesty and piety re-  
mains. But commonly swearing, execra-  
tions, and drinking, are the ceremonious  
Rites of a Bucks or a Hares death and obse-  
quies.

(sounding)

With the cry of the Hounds; And the Eccho re-  
Through the Meade, through the fallow,  
With the Horne, with the hallow,  
With the Horse loud neigh, and the Buck at a Bay.  
And with the Deeres fall; & horn-sounding knell,  
My Pen bids Hunting Woodman-Ship farewell.

The Ships and Pinnaces that served in  
the Regiment under the Woodman-Ship,  
were these.

1 The

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- 1 The Chaunter.
- 2 The Bowman.
- 3 The Ringwood.
- 4 The Slut.
- 5 The Beauty.
- 6 The Dayse.
- 7 The Kilbucke, with divers others,  
all of them being for course or chase.

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